Snapshot 2020

JANUARY - DECEMBER 2020

POLICING & JUSTICE

| Police Domestic Related Reports | 6,922 |
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| Police DV Charges | 1,367 (86% male) |
| Police Reported Sexual Violence | 490 |
| Police reported human trafficking | 52 |
| Domestic homicides/femicides | 1 |

CRISIS & HELPLINES

| Shelter crisis/helpline calls (IHOH, NWC, IH, GS) | 7,676 |
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| Crisis Text (IH) | 102 |
| Crisis Web Convos (IH) | 65 |
| SV crisis/helpline calls (SACHA) | 1,276 |
| Indigenous DV & SV crisis calls (NWC) | 18 |
| Families using Supervised Access Program services due to DV | 20 |

HOMELESSNESS

| Women experiencing homelessness and accessing Transitional Housing or Drop in Support. (YWCA, GS) | 398 |
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| Women accessing homeless/ precariously housed supports. (IH, WP) | 578 |
| Female head of household families actively experiencing homelessness.(EFRY) | 26 |

WAWG MEMBERSHIP & PARTICIPATING MEMBERS

- The AIDS Network
- Catholic Family Services
- Catholic Children's Aid Society
- Centre de Santé Communautaire Hamilton/Niagara
- Compass Community Health
- Elizabeth Fry Society Southern Ontario Region* (EFRY)
- Equity and Inclusion Office, McMaster University
- Good Shepherd Women's Services* (GS)
- Hamilton Health Sciences Sexual Assault/ Domestic Violence Care Centre*
- Hamilton Police Services Domestic Violence Unit*
- Hamilton Police Services Victim Services*

SAFETY & SUPPORTS

| Women, children in shelter (IHOH, NWC, IH, GS) | 860 |
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| Women new referrals for counselling & VAW services (IHOH) | 422 |
| DV/SV/VAW reports to VAW agency (IHOH, GS, WP) | 1,701 |
| Women coming to hospital post recent SV/DV | 205 |
| VAW agency counselling sessions (EFRY, IHOH, SA/DVCC) | 2,251 |
| Self-identified Indigenous women in shelter/receiving support (IH, IHOH, EFRY) | 85 |
| Newcomer immigrants & refugees getting support $(\mbox{\scriptsize YWCA, IHOH, GS})$ | 244 |

GAPS/BARRIERS

- 1,971 women were turned away from shelter due to shortage of beds.
- Significant gap for marginalized women experiencing VAW and homelessness.
- Waitlist for DV/SV counselling is < 6months
- Waitlist for Supervised Access Services is **16-24 months**.
- Early release of offenders who perpetrated violence compromises women's safety.
- Access to services was limited in many ways by Covid-19. This affected numbers of women helped and the collection of these statistics.

DV = Domestic Violence SV = Sexual Violence VAW = Violence Against Women

- Hamilton Regional Indian Centre
- Inasmuch House, Mission Services of Hamilton* (IH)
- Indigenous Victim Services
- Interval House of Hamilton* (IHOH)
- Ministry of the Attorney General, Victim Witness Assistance Program
- Native Women's Centre* (NWC)
- Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area)* (SACHA)
- Supervised Access Program* (SAP)
- Willow's Place, Mission Services of Hamilton* (WP)
- YWCA Hamilton* (YWCA)

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